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Subject: microsoft settlement.

I agree that Microsoft's terms of the settlement reached with certain states should be accepted by all the others as well. States that continue to hold out and want further litigation are holding back innovation and depriving the public of needed new products . Eventually the consumer pays for the protracted litigation.

Microsoft has accepted a fair settlement that rectifies the alleged wrongs and should now be free to pursue innovative new product introductions.

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